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Dear Parent/Carer

In February 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Morningside Primary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

The inspection team found the following strengths in the school's work.

- The supportive learning environment provided by teachers where children feel their contributions to decision making are valued, resulting in them having great pride in their school. They are respected, happy, safe and included.
- Led well by the headteacher, the overall confidence and enthusiasm of staff in implementing a refreshed approach to the learning and teaching of writing. This has resulted in a shared goal to improve the quality of children's experiences and attainment in this area.
- A strong culture of achievement where children's successes are well recognised and celebrated.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and a representative from North Lanarkshire Council.

- Continue to improve learning and teaching across the school, ensuring an appropriate level of pace and challenge for all learners.
- Continue to develop clear strategies for raising attainment.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4th edition\)](#). Quality indicators help schools, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved. Following the inspection of each school, the Scottish Government gathers details of our evaluations to keep track of how well Scottish schools are doing.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Morningside Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Raising attainment and achievement	good
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school? (4th edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the Education Scotland website at:
<https://education.gov.scot/inspection-reports/north-lanarkshire/8512329>

What happens next?

We are confident that the school has the capacity to continue to improve and so we will make no more visits in connection with this inspection. North Lanarkshire will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

Guch Dhillon
 HM Inspector